

Evening Telegraph

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 1866.

The Necessity of Official Dignity.

The great cause of the birth of parties in our land was found not so much in principles as in the practices of the day. No sooner had the adoption of the Constitution given birth to a new form of nationality than the Republican and Federal factions arose to quarrel over the dress rather than the doctrines which should subsist under the new regime.

The quiet dignity of the first President was augmented by the formality with which he was surrounded, and it took many years for the anarchical doctrine of perfect equality to do away with the ceremonies which hedged the Executive about.

We think that General JACKSON, with all the good he did the nation, was the first Executive who originated a nuisance by tolerating a familiarity which, however agreeable to the popular sentiment, has been subservient of official dignity.

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There is, too, in this movement for the education of the freedmen hope for the entire South. It must react upon all classes. The millions of poor, ignorant whites there—an inert mass, which hitherto has been sinking deeper and deeper into mental atrophy—must for very shame and envy's sake arouse themselves, when they behold the blacks with school-books in their hands and newspapers in their houses.

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vention. In order to secure these desired ends, we favor a more rigid social law in regard to attendance in Executive receptions; a greater hauteur in the conduct of the high dignitaries of the land, and a greater ceremonial in meeting them. They may be our servants, but the office they hold should secure for them respect. In honoring them we do but reflect greatness in the nation they govern.

Liberty and Knowledge. There is one point upon which all testimony from the South agrees, and that is, the universal desire of the freedmen for education. This desire pervades both old and young, and wherever schools are opened they are straightway filled with thirsty crowds, eager to drink from the hitherto sealed fountains of knowledge.

There is something very interesting in this stirring of intellectual life in the minds of a whole people—this instinctive uprising towards light and knowledge. It is an overwhelming evidence of the intellectual capacity of the black race. A people which, after centuries of oppression and enforced ignorance, thus instantly responds to the first offers of education, must possess great capabilities of growth and discipline.

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RELIGIOUS NOTICES. AMERICAN UNION COMMISSION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND NEW JERSEY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, THIRD AND PINE. A public Missionary Meeting will be held in this church on Tuesday (Sunday) Evening, April 22, at 8 o'clock.

CHURCH OF THE INTERCESSOR, SPRING GARDEN Street, below Broad.—The First Quarterly Service of the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School of this Church will be held Sunday, April 22, at 10 o'clock.

THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS OF THE NORTH BROAD STREET PROTESTANT CHURCH will be held on Monday, April 23, at 10 o'clock.

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH, CHESTNUT Street, West of Eighteenth.—Rev. G. A. FELTZ will preach to-morrow (Sunday) the annual sermon of the church.

REV. GEORGE DANA BOARDMAN, Pastor of the FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, will preach in Green Hill Hall, southeast corner of SEVENTH and POPLAR Streets, to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, at quarter to 10 o'clock.

FIFTEENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, FIFTEENTH and LOMBARD Sts.—Review of Bishop Wood's "Inauguration of Protestantism in America" to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at 7 o'clock.

COHOCKSINK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHESTNUT Street, near Second.—Services on Sunday by the Pastor, Rev. S. H. CHEST, at 10:30 A. M. and 7 P. M. Strangers welcome.

WESTMINSTER CHURCH, BROAD and PINEAFTER Streets.—Preaching by the Rev. ALBION M. ROSS, at 10 A. M. and 7 P. M.

UNION M. E. CHURCH.—SABBATH, 22d.—Rev. G. D. CARLOW, Pastor, will preach to-morrow, at 10 o'clock A. M., and quarter to 8 o'clock P. M.

CHURCH OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, ELFVETH and WOOD Streets, J. H. STOKES, Pastor, Sabbath, 9 A. M.

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